



**ENTREPRENEURS' LAW CLINIC SEEKS
VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS TO
ADVISE CLIENTS AND MENTOR LAW STUDENTS**

Dear ELC Friends,

Want to assist entrepreneurs and small business owners in underserved communities, while at the same time helping SCU law students get real-world hands-on experience counseling clients? Come volunteer for the Entrepreneurs' Legal Advising Clinics, an extension of the SCU Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic!

The Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic ("ELC") is looking for volunteer attorneys with business law experience to advise clients and mentor law students at evening clinics - once a month for three consecutive months: September, October, and November. The total time commitment is about 14 hours over the course of the semester.

Here's how it works: Volunteer attorneys are paired with law student volunteers. Together, they see clients by appointment only, at 30-minute advising sessions. Each attorney-student pair will see up to five clients per night. Clients are asked to submit information in advance, enabling law student and attorney to prepare, so counseling sessions can be as productive as possible.

If you are interested in volunteering, please Register by clicking on the link below. Upon registering, you will be asked to:

Choose your set of clinic dates (you will be expected to attend ALL three clinics in the set chosen):

- Second Wednesdays: 9/12, 10/10, AND 11/14, 5:30 - 8:30 PM at Silicon Valley SCORE, 234 E Gish Rd, #100, San Jose; or,
- Third Thursdays: 9/20, 10/18, AND 11/15, 5:30 - 8:30 PM at MLK, Jr. Library, 150 E San Fernando St, 3rd Floor, San Jose

Choose your orientation session date:

- Tuesday, 9/4, 7:00 - 8:00 PM at SCU Charney Hall;
- Wednesday, 9/5, 7:00 - 8:00 PM at SCU Charney Hall; or,
- By appointment, or online webinar

Choose your closing/debriefing session date:

- Monday, 11/19, 7:00 - 8:00 PM at SCU Charney Hall;
- Tuesday, 11/20, 7:00 - 8:00 PM at SCU Charney Hall; or,
- By appointment, or online webinar

In addition to clinics, orientation, and closing/debriefing sessions listed above, we request that volunteer attorneys agree to spend approximately 30-60 minutes prior to each clinic to confer with their law student mentees via phone or email, regarding issues expected to be presented by business owner/entrepreneur clients at the upcoming clinic.

Time Expectations:

The total time commitment is approximately 14 hours over the course of the semester:

- Clinics - 3 hrs X 3
- Prep with Student - 1 hr X 3
- Orientation - 1 hr
- Debrief - 1 hr;

Additional Details:

- Volunteer attorneys will provide short-term limited-scope legal services to client participants without expectation by either attorney or client that the attorney will provide continuing representation in the matter.
- Client participants will sign non-engagement letters.
- Attorneys will be covered under Santa Clara University's professional liability insurance.
- Law student volunteers will receive advance training on conducting client interviews.
- Law students will obtain and review client-supplied materials in advance, conduct client intake interviews, and perform preliminary research re issues presented. The level of participation in counseling sessions is expected to vary according to year (1L, 2L, or 3L) and individual skill level.
- Volunteer attorneys will be responsible for supervising their law student mentees in all their interactions with clients.
- Some volunteer attorneys will be asked to serve as substitutes on-call in case an assigned attorney cannot attend.
- Attorneys volunteer with the understanding that they may not be called upon to do so and that Santa Clara Law School is under no obligation to accept any particular individual's offer to volunteer.
- Volunteer attorneys will be invited to have their bios listed among valued volunteers and mentors on the ELC website, and invited to participate in networking events with fellow ELC attorney volunteers.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/ELCAAttorney2018>

For more information, contact: Pam Vavra (J.D. '15), pamvavra@gmail.com, (541) 324-7531.

Thanks for your interest. We hope you'll join us!